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Sir:

A petition for a three-month extension of time up to and including November 23, 2000 accompanies this response.

Withdrawal of the prior Office Action and its finality is hereby gratefully acknowledged. In response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2000, Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks:

In the claims

Claim 1 (four-times amended):

1. An implantable bone paste composition comprising gelatin [as a carrier for] and one or more substantially bioabsorbable, organic, osteogenic components for use in a recipient in need thereof [; wherein said one or more osteogenic components are selected from the group consisting of (i) DBM, (ii) BMP, TGF-β, PDGF, or mixtures thereof, natural or recombinant; and (iii) mixtures of (i) and (ii)], such that upon implantation,

